

News Release



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Lake Perris State Recreation Area: Prescribe Burn

California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) in cooperation with California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire) is planning to conduct a prescribed burn at Lake Perris State Recreation Area May 19, 2010. The actual burn date will be dictated by weather conditions. The vegetation type will be annual grassland. The burn will total 250 acres. Smoke will be visible from nearby communities but will disperse quickly and is not expected to be a health hazard.

This exercise will not impact visitor use of Lake Perris State Recreation Area except in the immediate area of the burning operation; the Park, lake and campgrounds will remain open.

This project is aimed at restoring native grass and forb habitats as well as reducing the hazard posed by flammable vegetation. In addition to the ecological and hazard reduction benefits, this prescribe burn will provide firefighters with valuable wildland fire training.

Firefighting resources from DPR and Cal Fire will be assigned to the operation the day of the burn.

The briefing for personnel involved in this project will commence at 7:30 am followed by firing operations around 8:30 to 9:00 am weather permitting.

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